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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 11

Part B for October 1924

SUBJECT

Complaint re the non-performance of seva by the local Agent in the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Srirangam.

31 G.O. No. 1606-7 Rev. dated 15.9.24

To the Mng. Comr. in Comptr

The Mangtai Comm's suggestions.

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ROUTINE NOTES.

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REVENUE DEPT
D 2303

Subject

A sum of Rs 73 is being made from our State for conduct of certain service in the Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Srirangam. The money is being paid annually into the hands of the person who goes every year to Mysore for presentation of Thirtham and Prasadam to H. H. the Maharaja on the occasion of His Highness' Birthday

2 During my recent visit to Srirangam, my brother Mr S. Srinivasiengar and myself went to the temple to offer our prayers to God and casually made enquiries

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the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on
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ROUTINE NOTES.

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o to what services were being
ordered in the temple in
the name of His Highness.
We were informed, to our
bitter disappointment, that
the stipulated services
viz., one "Seelamu" daily,
and archana to God & Goddess,
were not at all being conducted.
We saw with our own eyes
that the "Seepam" was not
all lighted. On enquiry
we were informed that this
has been the usual state
of affairs. The person in
charge of the said services
was sent for, but he never
turned up. During the

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the latter period of my stay there, I found the "Eccleam" burning, which was, probably, due to the fact that information of our enquiry should have reached the person concerned.

As regards archaic, it was no better. The register maintained therefor clearly showed that the archaic was not being done for several months past I made enquiries of the archak himself, who unwillingly confessed the truth. Enquiry was made in the Devastanam office also and we were informed that the archaic was done for at least two years past and that though the

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act was being repeatedly
reported to the Palace authorities
in the form as per sample
card attached, no notice has
been taken of it

4. It is humbly submitted
that this state of affairs
should not be allowed to
continue any longer and
that necessary steps should
be taken to remedy the said
state of affairs.

SD
18/6/23

5. The reports brought to
notice above were sought to
be avoided by the prescription
of a register which was ordered
by the then Maharaja?
(M. Krishnamma Nayar)

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to be maintained by the
Register Servant in the temple
and this register which

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he recall, for Divn Sheros when [illegible] here with Rasadam, in the [illegible] evidence of [illegible] services in the temple, and the Paadike is drawn & paid on the strength of Entries in this register.

6. The Sample Card in which intimation of the several services in the temple during the Paadike grant is sent to be sent to the Palace every month, is in Tamil, which is not understood in the Palace, & is evidently not taken any notice of.

7. If Conditions should continue the services should be supervised by the Trust Committee, or at least the register should bear the attestation of a recognised Official of the temple, (Kokkeni or pariahgar) and the monthly intimation, services conducted sent to the Office of the Murrai Com[r].

2/7/23

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அர்ச்சனை கட்டளை நோட்டீஸ்.

மகாராராஸ்ரீ _____ _____ அவர்களுக்கு

தங்களால் ஏற்படுத்தப்பட்டிருக்கிற பெரிய சனனதி / தாயார் சனனதி வகையறா அர்ச்சனை கட்டளை வரு

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8. The unobjectionable report of Mr. T. Thirumalachar, who along with his mother Mrs. T. Seshamma, retired Asst. Secy., paid a visit to the Sriranjam temple shows that most of the unpaid services is being performed by our local agent. No doubt the amounts provided are very small, but there can be no justification for the total inaction. The present agent may be warned and the Collector of Trichinopoly addressed whether the management may be entrusted to the Dharmakartas of the temple and whether they are willing to take up the management.

Second member 7.8.23

2nd. 10.7.23.

9. Who is the present agent? When was he appt? Please put up the necessary papers if any, relating to his appt.

D 10/12/7/23.

10. The present agent Sri K. Parthasarathy Ayyangar

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[illegible] in the head to see that the stipulated pooja in the temple is conducted regularly & that a certificate to that effect from [illegible] is produced by the agent annually when he goes to Mysore with the Prasad. In accordance with the [illegible] stated to have been followed by the temple authorities for giving a certificate, the procedure has not been finally adopted. The papers show that Mr. Narasimha Iyengar also wrote to the temple trustees in the matter of exemption from payment of fees, but no reply seems to have been received from them.

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12. On the statement given by the Agent on 21.8.07 before the Mysore Resident, he has agreed to conduct the services properly & regularly & that if he fails in his duty, the Sadik amount need not be paid into his hands and that separate arrangements may be made for

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13. [illegible] the Muzrai [illegible] value of the [illegible] the Perisamiori Ammanavaru [illegible] was been fixed at 0-3-6 & 0-1-6 respectively as the remuneration to the agent 0-1-6 per day; that the balance should be paid to the temple as fees for certificate. The present value of the seva & the remuneration to the agent differ somewhat from the above, but it is not known when the value was altered. The present value is 0-3-8 in Swami Samidhi, 0-1-7 in Ammanavaru Samidhi & the remuneration to the agent 0-2-4.

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14. In G.O. No. 820-8 dt 28-9-17, on 28-9-17, a grant of Rs 1 annum to each of the temples of Sri Ranganathaswami at Srirangam

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[illegible] to H. A. [illegible]

[illegible]

whole of the original allotment of Rs 173 & Rs 104-12-0 [illegible] for purposes of worship.

15 [illegible] the subject is deemed necessary, it is subd that Mr. .. Srinivasaiengar, who is now at Srirangam, may be written to.

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19.7.23

SD
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16. [illegible]

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2nd member) dcs 25/7/23

20 Issue dcs 30/7/23

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21 No. 165 of 11/7 to the Mgr. Cmbtr.

Requests to send the Agents reply to the ...

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From the Muz: Comr., letter no. C. 37/234 of 2.11.23.

Reports that while the Agent Ramaswamy Iyengar says that the sevas are being regularly performed, the Trustees of the temple state that the archana is very imperfectly and unsatisfactorily performed; and recommends that, as a measure of trial, the amount allotted for sevas may be drawn and remitted to the Executive Trustee of the temple, as the arrangement seems to be convenient.

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21. Reference Member's minutes in paras 16+17 of the note.

A 22. The agent has reported that he has been regularly attending to the pujas, confining himself to the amount given to him.

B 23. The Executive Trustee of the temple, in reply to the M.C's letter, has stated that archana both in the Sri Ranganatha's Samidhi and Sri Nachiar Samidhi is very imperfectly & unsatisfactorily performed by the agent. The statement showing the number of days on which archanas were conducted, shows that in the Sri Ranganatha's Samidhi archana was performed on 35 days during the 11 months from Sept. 22 to July 23 and for 20 days in the Sri Nachiar Samidhi during the same period.

C 24. The foot-note referred to in the M.C's letter (para 3) is only in respect of archanas. It is not clear whether the Executive Trustee will also see to the Deepaman.

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2. The M. C. recommends that the [illegible] amount may be remitted to the executive Trustee for being credited to the Temple Treasury for conduct of services during the current year. He states that this may be tried as a temporary measure. Submitted for orders.

8/11/23 17.11.23 20 11/23

4/3 20.11.23. 2nd member) I do not [illegible]

24/11 24/11/23

I do not know to [illegible]

[illegible] Manickavasagam [illegible] for a [illegible] for one [illegible] as stated [illegible] letter of 5/8/23 [illegible] any [illegible]

Draft letter to Mr. [illegible] Inb.

8/12/23

6.12.23

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To the Mag. Commr. No. 819 d. 12.12.23.
Requests him to state whether the statement of the agent Manik R. Ramaswamy Iyengar that the temple services has been performed by him and his ancestors as a hereditary right for over 100 years is true and whether there are any records to support the same.

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X To The petn of Narasimhiengar, maternal uncle of the present agents father Srinivasaengar, presented in Octr 1865

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for his being allowed to continue to ~~do~~ the services done by his father on behalf of the Mysore Govt and the endt thereon to the effect that he may be permitted to do so, goes to show that the services are being got done by the agent and his ~~father~~ ancestors for nearly 100 yrs

31. Refer Member's minutes in para 27.

Subd for orders -

~~Orders~~

89 / 13/2/24 32. 1) All that has been Established is this: that one Narasimhiengar was appointed Agent in 1865, & that S Thandla Ramaswamiengar has been doing the work from 1897, and that before him his father was doing it. For the relationship between Narasimhiengar & Ramaswamiengar father, & the origin which he derives his right, Ramaswamiengar says he has no refers in Supplr. A local Enquiry would be necessary.

33. 2) At any rate thus much is certain that Ramaswamiengar derived his from his father & this was recognized by the Dept. The right is contested & would be necessary before a formal Enquiry could be ordered. The Agent's Services can be dispensed with.

2nd member).

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The Hon'ble ... may be asked to furnish ... [illegible] ... of the Committee

34. Should no need to depute Pakistani Representative to the Provincial Legislature to give evidence in regard to the Bill, it is necessary that there should be some supervision over the work so that we may not have to give evidence on every particular point.

35. The Com. Secretary to the Committee may be asked to be present during the discussion on the motion to furnish certain particulars on previous occasion (vide para 11 of the notes) and that the figures to be obtained may be made available to the Committee

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36) Draft ... 18.3.24

36. Draft letter to M.C. submitted.

19.3.24 19.3.24

37) Done 22.3.24.

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5	To the Mavzai Commr. No. 1329d-26.3.24. Wants that yout consider that there is no need to deprive Vhanik Ramaswamy Iyen gar of his hereditary right to get the Vesai performed in the temple for the Mayavaram yout, but requests, as it is necessary to supervise his work, that the Executive Trustee of the temple may be asked if he would exercise supervision over the Vhanik's work & furnish a certificate so that the payment to the Vhanik may be made on the strength of such a certificate.
6	From the Mavz. Commr., & memo: No. C.37 of 23-4 dt. 3.5.24. Forwards copy of his letter to the Executive Trustee of the Srirangam Temple in the matter of supervising the Stanik's work and furnishing him with a certificate. 38) It will be seen from the Mavz: Commr's letter to the Executive Trustee of the Srirangam Temple that the subject is under correspondence ~~with the~~ between them. The Executive

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Trustee's letter dt 27.4.24 goes to show that he is not willing to exercise supervision over the work of the present Sthanik & that he has no objection to exercise supervision if the work is entrusted to a different person.

(A) The communication by the M. Comrs of ~~the~~ final reply from the Ex: Trustee may perhaps be awaited.

8d 9.5.24 8d 10/5/24 3) Mr Jeremiah with reference paras 34 & 35 Enqa

10.5.24.

260 10-5-24 & connected)

(1) 10) Yr dy 12/5 - Regd

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To the Inspr. of Mirasi Commissioner

No C. 37/23-24 dt 12th June 1924.

Forwards copy of letter no. 1557 of 1924 dt 6.6.24. from the Executive Trustee, Srirangam Devasthanam stating that he would issue half yearly certificates of Conduct of the Seva in the temple and that the agent Stanik Ramaswamiengar may be paid the grant on the strength of these certificate, and observes that this is a convenient arrangement & that it would be brought into effect from the Commencement of the next official year.

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(ii) How the arrangement is the Considered Convenient is not clear from the Muzrai Comm's letter

(iii) The aggregate allotment for the conducting Devas at Srirangam is Rs 200/- out of which Rs 173/- is meant for Devas & Rs 27 to cover the R/ Fare etc for the Carriage of provisions by the Mysore agent. The daily Expenditure under Devas Amounts to 2 annas & seven pies out of which the Agent's remuneration is ~~Re 1~~ two annas four pies — vide para 13 supra —

(iv) Thus the practical remuneration of the agent is about (0-2-4 × 365) or Rs. 53-3-8. By the proposed direct remittance by the Executive Trustee of Rs 173/- for Mysore Devas. the Mysore agent would be deprived of his ~~annual~~ remuneration minus ~~the Cost of the Fee~~ the fee for the granting the Certificate.

(v) Besides this the Mysore agent if he is kept ~~the~~ remuneration thereof

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~~ex~~ Sadhus
the temple authorities, he would be practically a servant of the temple & not an agent to those who could exercise his powers & get-Seras conducted properly

4) Under these circumstances the points for orders are :—

(1) as to whether it is necessary to authorise direct remittance of the amount by the Executive Trustee of the temple to the exclusion of the Agent—

or (2) to remit the amount on usual to the Agent and enforce timely production of the certificate from the temple authorities in support of his having duly got the Seras conducted in the temple

5) Subordinate
24/6/24 27.6.24

6) The Executive Trustee must see money to be sent to whom direct is not clear, unless he wants to have a hold over the Mysore Sikandar. He may issue the Certific whether the Mysore Agent is doing all the

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Services stipulated ... [illegible] ... the purpose ... on the strength ... this certificate Govt. may ~~[illegible]~~ send the money ... in Shanik of the certificate shall be entertainable ... it will be open to Govt. Department Secretary ~~that~~ satisfy themselves about the truth or correctness of the statements ... [illegible] ... it seems to be not desirable to make the Mysore Agent a dependent of the Temple Authorities

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Rec. Secy. | (2) The payment made ... [illegible] ... of 2 items, one payable to the / temple, remuneration due to the Shanik - it is felt that the former should be paid direct to the temple authorities on suggestion by the Ex Trustee that would ensure that the services will not depend on the Shanik's good faith for the certificate of the Trustee, the remuneration of the Shanik may be paid.

(3) I am sorry I cannot agree to the view that the Mysore agent should not be made subordinate to the temple authorities in the matter of preparing the Ex Trustee is a man of some trust

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and responsibility and having regard to the satisfactory manner in which the services have been managed by the present agent, the necessity to secure some control over them is unnecessary.

52) The Muz Commrs proposal may therefore be approved

15/7 H Member

H 30/6

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51) I agree with the Secretary. A suitable order may be passed in accordance

H 4/7

52) Submit with a draft order

H 7/7 8/7/24

53) A case has been received from the Muz. Comr. Please put up

D 10/7

To the Muzrai Comr. in Mysore
No C. 37 of 1923-24 dt. 8/9-7-1924.
Reports how Sthanik Ramakrishnamma

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has not acted up to the instructions issued to him from the Madras Office and ~~has exceeded~~ that he be replaced by ~~one~~ a non-Hindu ~~person~~ a non-Hindu in order as to whether the Chairman of the Ex: Committee may be competent as regards the eligibility of one Mr. A. Srinivasa Iyengar who has applied for the post &c-

(1) Submitted for orders.

11.7.24

12.7.24

(2) Draft as per directions of the Secretary is put up. The arrangements suggested therein may be made. The present letter of the A.C clearly shows that supervision over the Mgrs appointed by some one or the other is necessary

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14.7.24

(3) Draft is approved.

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(4) 7/8/24

8.9.24

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9	G.O No. 406-7 dt 15-9-24 – To the Muz: Commr & Comptr. – Approves of the suggestion to obtain half-yearly certificates from the Executive Trustee of the Srirangam Temple and to make payment of the grant to Shanik. Ramaswamy Iyengar on the strength of such certificate –
10	From the Muz: Commr., letter no. C 37 of 23-24 dt 11-9-24 Forwards a petn from Shanik Ramaswamy Iyengar forwarding a stamped receipt obtained from the Temple for Rs 21-10-0 and requesting payment of the tasdik amount due to him and also a reminder petn from Mr R. Srinivasaraghaviengar offering himself to conduct the Mysore sevas –
8)	As final orders in the matter have been issued in the above G.O. no action appears called for. The papers will, if approved, be recorded. The Muz: Commr will take the necessary further action
8) 17-9-24	The Muz: Commr regret ma
9)	be invited to the meeting of the 15th inst and the enclos

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To his present tour [illegible] hours for disposal in accordance with the orders.

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(61) Yrs. [illegible]

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(61) Draft letter sent.

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[illegible] appr

25.9.24.

Rec'd.

(62) [illegible]

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(62) Issue

27 9 24.

11 To the Muzrai Commr. No. 5199 d. 19.10.24. Invites reference to the G.O. cited in cl. 9 and states that the matter may be disposed of in accordance with Govt. orders.

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SUBJECT .....

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Diary No. of letter replied to 2303

Muzrai Secretariat

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Date of issue 31.7.23

Signed by M. D. Subbarayappa

Section

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No. 185

Endorsement Records

To

The Muzrai Commissioner,

Bangalore

Sir,

~~I am directed to state~~ ~~that~~ It has been brought to the notice of Govt that some of the stipulated services—viz Archanam and Archanai—in the Sri Ranganatha Swami temple at Srirangam, which is a Monopoly Dept., is being performed by our local agent Sri

over.

Ramaswamy Iyengar; I am therefore directed
to request that the agent
may be informed of the
complaints in question, received
in respect of the non-performance
of the bears ordered to state
what he has to say in the matter
and may be given to understand
removed and another agent
appointed in his place.
I am also to request
you to send the agent's
reply, with your own remarks,
at an early date.

I have etc

Secretary
Rev: Dept.

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2) The original file of papers on the subject
Last of enclosures.
received from the Collector is returned herewith.

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Examined by

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Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,

Dated, Bangalore, the 1st November 1923.

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K. Chandy, Esquire, B.A.,

Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Bl .... .
5 11 1923
To

ST 5/11/23

T.E. Jayarama Aiyar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of His Highness

the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department,

Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of this office No.C.37 of 23-24 dated the 1st October 1923 in respect of the complaint re: the nonperformance of sevas by the local agent in the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Srirangam, I have the honor to state that the local agent Stanik Ramaswamy Iyengar says in his explanation (copy of which is herein enclosed) that the stipulated sevas were conducted by him regularly and satisfactorily as usual.

2. On an enquiry from this office prior to the receipt of your letter No.165/Muz.32-23-2 dated 31st July 1923, the Stanik submitted a list of expenses for the last year and also the receipts obtained by him from the temple office and from the archak community of the temple. These are submitted herewith for kind perusal.

3. While Ramaswamy Iyengar says that the sevas are being regularly performed and the archak community have received their fee and given him a receipt therefor, the Trustees of the temple who were addressed in the matter state in their reply that the archana is very imperfectly and unsatisfactorily performed by our agent. They have also put up a statement showing the number of days on which archanas were performed every month and a printed notice which contains a foot-note that if the tasdik amount is remitted to the temple Treasury direct

direct, they would arrange for the satisfactory performance of the sevas. These are also submitted in original for kind perusal.

4. The agent has not yet been paid the tasdik amount for the current year, in view of these circumstances and of the likelihood of the agency being changed.

5. The arrangement proposed by the Executive Trustee seems to be convenient, and, if approved, the amount will be drawn and remitted to him for being credited to the temple Treasury with a request to - arrange for the Mysore State sevas during the current year. The change may be tried at least as a temporary measure and the result observed.

I solicit the favour of early orders of Government in the matter.

I have the honor to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

K Chandy

Muzrai Commissioner.

D.N.

Letter dated, 5th August 1923, from Stanik Ranganswamy Iyengar, 366, North Chitra St., Srirangam, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

"With reference to your letter C.37 of 23-24 dated 3-8-1923, I beg to state that the temple business are being conducted promptly and regularly under my direct supervision. The archane is done - regularly on all days and the Dheepam is lighted every day without fail. But the two annas worth of ghee supplied for every day - consumption of the light is hardly sufficient to keep the Dheepam burning throughout. I am also bearing the cost of the cards posted to your office by the temple authorities every month at the rate of 6 annas as in the previous years and 9 as in last year.

I have to feel very sorry to answer the objection raised by them that I do not initial everyday in the book kept in the temple. There are many delicacies in the way of answering this in detail. I have to satisfy the demands of too many servants of the temple for the mere production of the book I have to initial. The book is not usually kept in a particular place and I have to feel it very indecent and quite beneath my dignity when being tossed about here and there when I demand for the book. But I could confidently request you to believe that I am doing the business very sincerely. I am, as - sincere and devoted as anybody in doing the duties of God enjoined on me by the Samasthanam. This service to the Durbar was done with respect by my forefathers for about 100 years and is being done by myself from 1897 in the same way as could be seen from records. I beg permission to draw your kind attention to my difficulties in the way of dealing with the servants of the temple and in keeping the light (Akhandam) burning throughout with the quantity of ghee, - supplied. Confining myself to the amount given to me, I am doing the business with regard to the status of the Durbar and without much remuneration to me.

P.T.O.-

I will be glad to obey any further order given to me. In admit I shall feel much obliged if you will arrange to send me the yearly tas amount of Rs.173/- for the current year and Rs.27/- being the Railway f and expenses incurred by me in bringing Prasadam last year on His Highn Birthday".

Copy.

for Muzrai Commissioner.

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SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 12-12-23

Signed by S. Ramaiya.

Section Mmz.

File No. 32-23.

Serial No 3. 4

No. 819.

To

The Murrai Comr

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. C-37 of 23-24 dated the 2nd Nov. 1923 regarding the non performance of Seva in the Sri Ranganatha Swami temple at Srirangam by the local agent on behalf of the Mysore Sr, I am directed to state that the agent started ~~Rangasami~~ Ayyangar states over in his appln to you that the service is

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being performed by him
and his successors as a
hereditary right for over 100 years
and request to be informed
whether this statement is
true and whether there are
any records in support of
of the same. I also desire
to request that they may
be sent to this office for
perusal.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully

10.1.23.

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List of enclosures.

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OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE

No C 37 9 23-4 *Bangalore*

FROM

[illegible]
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore

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To

[illegible]
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
Department
Revenue

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. [illegible] dated the 12th December 1923, praying for the appointment of Dewasthanam by the local Agent on behalf of the Mysore Government and registration of the same after the Agent's statement that the service is now performed by him and his ancestors for the last 100 years is true and there being no records in support of this hereditary right, I have the honour to submit herewith in original, sanad No. [illegible] dated the 8th October 1865 granted to Ramaswamier ar's ancestor [illegible] and received from [illegible] tenik Ramaswamier ar with his letter dated 28th January 1924. The Agent states in his letter referred to above (copy of which is herein enclosed) that his father Sreenivas Iyengar is the latter's son of Narasimha Iyengar to whom the enlargement was granted in 1865 that Narasimha Iyengar left the right to his brother's son Vasu Iyengar who was his heir. On the death of Vasu Iyengar who had no sons or other nearer relative to discharge this work, this duty devolved on Sreenivas Iyengar and after him the right came to his son Ramaswamiengar. This Vasu Iyengar has been referred to in the statement given by Ramaswamierger in 1897 before the Huzrat Superintendent, the file containing which is herein enclosed for perusal and kind return.

Yours

R. C. 4.

FROM

Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H H the Maharaja of Mysore,
Department.

Dated

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General No

Enclosure No.

SUBJECT.

Letter dated 28th January 1924 from Shri K.V.Narasimha Iyengar
366, North Chittra Street, Srirangam to the Huzur Secretariat in Mysore.

"With reference to your office letter C.37 of 22-4 of 18-1-24, beg to enclose herewith per Registered Post the original record awarding the agency for doing the sevas in the temple of Sri Ranganathaswami to Mr.Narasimma Iyengar. My father is Mr. Narasimha Iyengar's sister's son Mr. Narasimma Iyengar left the right behind him to his brother's son Vasu Iyengar who was his heir. Mr. Vasu Iyengar having no son for himself and finding no other nearer relative of his suitably able to do this work --- rightly left behind him the responsibility to my father.

There has not been any record maintained about these things. If at all there be any it should be available in your office alone. But every new arrangement has been then and there questioned by the Huzur -- Officers there and approved. From my father it has come to me legally. I also have, during August 1897 recorded in your office that I am conducting these stipulated sevas which were being done by my father Mr. ----- Srinivasa Iyengar and his predecessors Mr. Vasu Iyengar and Mr.Narasimha

Iyengar. These facts will bring me to you the connecting link as to how the right has come to me and as I have stated formerly, as the formalities in connection with that duty are being performed to the best possible satisfaction. Even now the sevas are being done. Since the amount has not yet been received by me, I could not give the temple their share (1/8 of the amount). Therefore I request you to kindly arrange to send early the amount as usual including my Railway Fare and expenses, which I have spent last time."

"C o p y"

Agricultural Commissioner.

KSR.

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SUBJECT.....

Diary No. of letter replied to 971

Section Muz.
File No. 92-23.
Serial No. 5.

Muzrai Secretariat
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No. 1321 .

Date of issue 26.3.24

To
The Muzrai Comr in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Signed by Mr T. Ramaiya

Sir,

Referring to the correspondence ending with your letter no. C.37 of 23-24 & 11-2-24 in the matter of the non-performance of Sevas in the Sri Ranganathaswami Temple at Srirangam by the local agent on behalf of the Mysore Govt, I am directed to state that Govt consider that there is no need to deprive Shanik Ramaswamy Iyengar of his

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over.

hereditary right to get the
sevas performed in the temple
for the Mysore Govt. But ~~since~~ As
it is necessary that there should
be some supervision over his
work, so that Govt may be
sure that the sevas are being
performed properly and regularly,
I am to request that the Executive
Trustee of the Temple may be
asked if he would exercise supervision
over ~~his~~ the work and furnish a
certificate, so that the payment
to the Stanik may be made
on the strength of such certificate - I am to request that

I have etc

Secretary
Rev: Dept

Govt will be good enough to
submit a report together
with their reply. by post
or early as possible.

List of enclosures

2 The rev: records are returned herewith.

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No. Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Dated Bangalore 3rd May 1924.

From

K. Chandy, Esquire., B.A.,

Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,

Bangalore.

To

The Executive Trustee,

Srirangam Devastanam, Srirangam.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.1557 dated 27th April 1924, regarding the performance of Mysore Sevas in the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Srirangam, I have the honor to state that an annual contribution of Rs.200/- is made towards the cost of the sevas to be performed and that out of this contribution a sum of Rs.27/- is ear-marked towards the ---- travelling expenses of the agent for bringing Prasada for presentation to His Highness the Maharaja on the occasion of His Highness' birthday and the balance of Rs.173/- utilized for the actual conduct of the sevas. A statement showing the sevas that are now being performed and the cost incurred thereof is here to appended.

2. Government consider that there is no need to deprive Stanik --- Ramaswami Iyengar of his hereditary right to get the sevas performed in the temple for the Mysore Government but desire that an efficient ---- supervision should be exercised over the work of the Stanik so that -- Government may be sure that the sevas are being performed properly and regularly.

3. With this end in view I request you to be so good as to let me know what arrangements you would propose in thematter and whether it will be possible for you to furnish a certificate about the performance of the stipulated sevas, so that payment to the stanik may be made on the strength of such certificate.

4.

P.T.O.

4. The favour of an early reply is requested.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Sd.) K. Chandy,

Nuzrai Commissioner.

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6-MAY 1924
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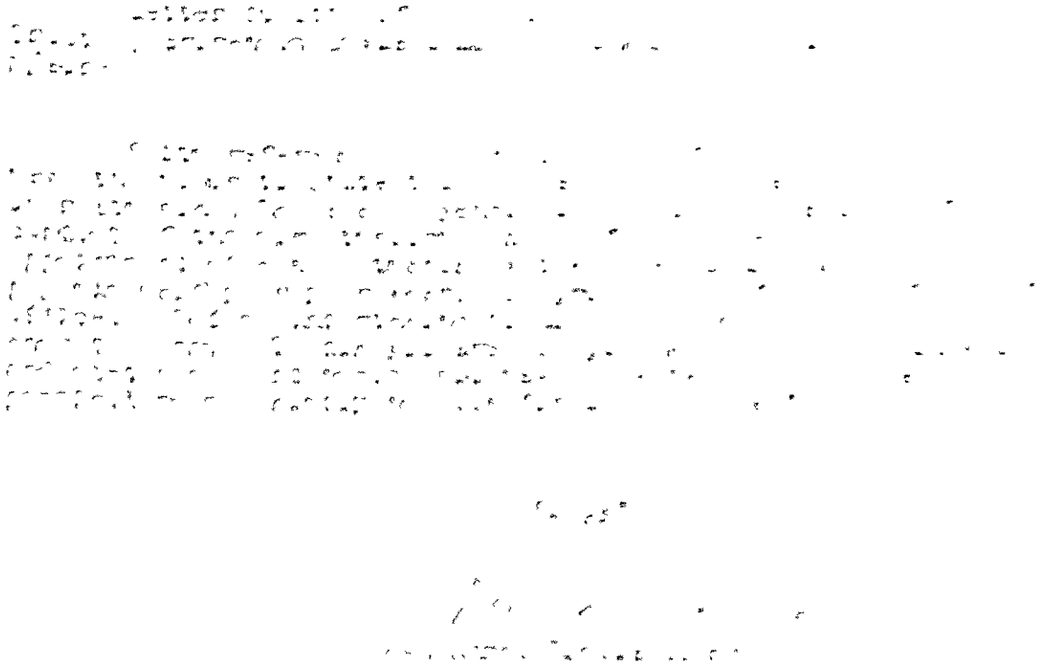
Copy of the above together with a copy of the Executive Trustees letter dated 27th April 1924 is forwarded with compliments to the Revenue Secretary to Government for kind information.

for Nuzrai Commissioner.

KSR.



for Muzrai Commissioner.

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OFFICE OF THE Muzrai COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,
Camp Mysore,
xxBangalorexxx. 12th June 1924.

No C. 37/22-24
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GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT.
14 JUN 1924
MUZRAI

Dno 2331.

From

K. Chandy Esq., B.A., Muz. 32-23-7
Muzrai xxxxxx Commissioner in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of this office No. 37/23-24 dated 3rd May 1924 in the matter of the performance of the Sevas in the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Srirangam by the local agent on behalf of the Mysore Government, I have the honor to forward herewith for information copy of letter No. 1557 of 1924 dated 6-6-1924 from the Executive Trustee, Srirangam Devastanam, stating that he would issue half yearly certificates of conduct of the seva in the temple and the agent Stanik Ramaswamiengar may be paid the grant on the strength of these certificates.

2. Since this is a convenient arrangement ensuring the regular conduct of the stipulated seva, it will be brought into effect from the commencement of the next official year.

3. The dues of the Devasthanam xxxx for Fasli 1334 will, as desired by the Executive Trustee, be drawn up and remitted to him next month.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

K Chandy
Muzrai Commissioner.

M.B.R.

Letter No. 1557 of 1924 dated 6-6-1924 from the Executive Trustee, Srirangam Devastanam, Srirangam, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore

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With reference to your C. 37 of 23-24 dated 23-5-1924, I have the honor to state that I have no objection to undertake the supervision of Sevas in question provided the dues of the Devastanam are remitted here direct before 10th July of every year. Sthanik Ramaswamy Iyengar has paid the dues for fasli 1333 on 5-6-24 and you may remit the amount for fasli 1334 direct to this office before 10-7-1924. On receipt of money, it will be registered in this office and necessary action taken. Half yearly certificates will be issued as per entries in the Archanai &c Registers and the Sthanik can be paid on the merit of his work turned out by him honestly in this direction. The certificate will gauge his work.

" C o p y "

Muzrai Commissioner.

M.B.R.

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Office of the Personal Commissioner [illegible]

Dated Bangalore, the [illegible]

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R. Chuyer, Esquire., I.A.S.,
Mysore Commissioner Mysore,
Bangalore.

10 JUN [illegible]
MYSORE

K. V. Anantaraman, Esquire., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.37 of 23-24 dated 13th June 1924 in the matter of the performance of the State Seva in the Sri Parthasarathi Swami temple at Srirangam by the local agent on behalf of the Mysore ---- Government, I have the honor to state that the local agent Stanik Rama-Swami Iyengar was, in this office No.37 of 23-24 dated 2nd June 1924 (copy of which is herein enclosed) asked to be present with prasadam at Mysore on the occasion of Birthday of His Highness the Maharaja and a sum of -- Rs.100/- was also sent to him to enable him to procure prasadam from the temple and also to cover the cost of his travelling allowances. Beyond - an acknowledgement of the insured letter nothing further has been heard of from him.

The prasadam was however brought and presented by a cousin of his. The cashier of the Srirangam temple intimates in his post card of the -- 13th June 1924 that though the agent paid money he does not seem to have done the archana.

In view of the fact that the local agent has not acted up to the - instructions of this office in the matter of bringing and presenting ----- prasadam to His Highness during the last Birthday and has also not had the archane performed in the temple, there seems to be no use in entrusting the services any longer to him.

A reliable man has to be found in consultation with the temple ---

authorities.

One [illegible], a respectable person, [illegible] place, has offered himself to take the business and the Secretary Statistician trustee recommends him. The Honble. Member of the Executive Council has to be consulted in the matter.

I request the favour of orders of Government to take further action in the matter as proposed above.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Municipal Commissioner.

Memo No. 37 dated 3 June 1924 from
to Stanik Ramaswamy Iyengar, Srirangam.

"With reference to his application for [illegible] Swamy Iyengar is informed that a sum of Rs.[illegible]/- [illegible] grant and traveling expenses is sent to the Superintendent of [illegible] balance of Tasdik amount will be arranged to be paid [illegible] Commissioner's office Bangalore) when he should report himself at his own risk at Mysore. He is instructed to be present without fail at Mysore [illegible] on or before the 10th June 1924, as already directed.

As soon as this communication reaches him, he should send a reply to the undersigned by registered post intimating when he will be at Mysore for the Birthday of His Highness with "Prasada."

He should call at the office of the undersigned in Bangalore on his way to Mysore and receive further instructions if any."

"Copy"

For Mural Commissioner. 8/7/24.
PBK

Proceedings of the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:-

Correspondence ending with letter No. C. 37/23-24 dated 12th June 1924 from the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore reporting in the matter of the allegations against the conduct of Sthanik Ramaswamiengar as regards the non-performance of certain sevas in Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Srirangam, and stating, that the executive Trustee of the temple is agreeable to supervise the sevas, and to issue half yearly certificates as per entries in the Archana etc., Regi-ter which will guage the Sthanik's work, provided the dues of the temple are remitted to him direct before the 10th July of every year and the Sthanik paid on the merits of his work and recommending that this course may be adopted.

Order No. 406-7/ Mug. 92-23-9.
Dated, 15th Sept. 1924.

The Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Srirangam enjoys a cash grant of Rs. 173/- per year from the Mysore Government which is paid to one Sthanik Ramaswamiengar who has been attending to the services in the temple on behalf of ~~the Mysore~~ that Government. Complaints of irregularity having been received in respect of the performance of the Mysore Sevas, the Muzrai Commissioner who was consulted in the matter reports that

most convenient arrangement would be to get the Sevas pefformed through the Executive Trustees of the temple and that the latter is agreeable to supervise the services and issue half yearly certificates etc., while Government are not desirous of depriving Sthanik Ramaswamiengar of his hereditary right to attend to Mysore Sevas at Srirangam, they deem it desirable to secure adequate control over his work. They are accordingly pleased to approve of the suggestion of the Muzrai Commissioner contained in the letter read above, to arrange with effect from the current year, for obtaining half yearly certificates from the Executive Trustees of the Srirangam temple and to regulate accordingly the payment of the grant to Sthanik Ramaswamiengar on his strength of such certificates.

By order,

Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

8/7/14

To

The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

" Comptroller to the Government of Mysore.

REV. SECRETARIAT. 16 SEP 1924 MUZRAI

OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.

Fno. 326.

No. C 37 of 23-24
Exec. Sree.

Bangalore, 11th September 1924.

Mag. 32-23-1.

FROM

K. CHANDY ESQ., B.A.,

~~*Revenue*~~ *Commissioner in Mysore.*
Muzrai

15. SEP. 1924

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue *Department.*

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SIR

In continuation of my letter No.37 of 23-24 dated 9-7-24 in the matter of the performance of the State sevas in the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Seringapatam by the local agent on behalf of the Mysore Government, I have the honour to forward herewith a petition dated 12th August 1924 together with a stamped receipt obtained from the temple received from stanik Ramaswamy Iyengar stating that he has paid 1/8 portion of the Tasdik amount due to the temple for the year ending 23-24 and requesting for the payment for the Tasdik due to him.

(mistake corrected 2)

2. The failure on the part of this man to have complied with this office instructions in the matter of presentation of Prasada to His Highness on the last Birthday has been reported upon in detail in my letter above referred to.

3. I herewith submit for perusal a reminder petition from Mr. R.Sreenivasa Raghavan Iyengar, Retired Engineer Subordinate at Srirangam who holds stanik miras in the temple and has offered himself to attend to the sevas in the temple on behalf of the State.

4. I request the favour of early orders in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

K. Chandy

Muz i Commissioner

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SUBJECT .....

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Diary No. of letter replied to 326

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File No

Serial N

Muzrai Secretariat

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No. 519

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Date of issue 11.10.24

Signed by M T Ramaiya

To

The Muz: Comr: in

Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. C. 37 of 23-4 & 11.9.24 forwarding a petn. of Shanik Ramaswamy Iyengar ~~in this~~ praying for the payment of the saddik amount due to him for 1923-24, etc I am directed to

over.

invite reference to G.O.
No. 406-07/Mug 32-23 dt 15.9.24
issued on the subject and
to return the enclosures
to your letter under reply
for disposal in accordance
with the above order -

I have etc

Secretary
Rev: Deptt

23.9.24

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